

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES  
BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
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**INTERPRETATION OF “RAPID INFUSER SYSTEM” IN 9 A.A.C. 25, ARTICLE 13, EXHIBIT I**

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The purpose of this substantive policy statement is to notify the public how the Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) interprets the language “Rapid infuser system” in Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) Title 9, Chapter 25, Article 13, Exhibit I, Arizona Trauma Center Standards.

Exhibit I(E)(5)(b)(xv) and (E)(6)(i) specify that a “Rapid infuser system” is essential and required in both the emergency department and the operating room of a Level I, II, III, or IV trauma center.

The Department interprets “Rapid infuser system” in this context to mean any method or equipment used to rapidly infuse fluids into trauma patients.

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